

STATE DATA

Based on 2015-2019 American Community
Survey population estimates.

24,886

STUDY POPULATION:

Women and girls
with ancestral ties to
countries where FGM/C
is practiced

8,948

Women and girls who
were likely **LIVING**
WITH FGM/C

767

Girls who were likely
AT RISK of FGM/C

STATE LEGISLATION AND POLICY LANDSCAPE

STATUS

Adequate **Existing Legislation**¹,
Needs Strengthening

IMPROVE BY ADDING

Education and Outreach;
Mandatory Training for Law
Enforcement; Mandatory
Revocation of Medical License

¹ <https://bit.ly/47Ewvek>

SUMMARY

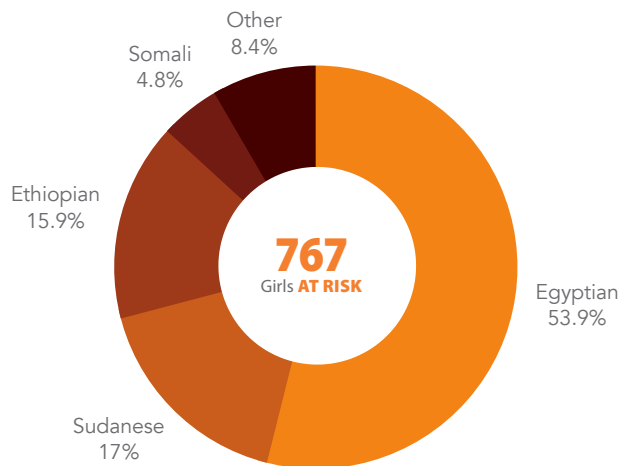
FGM/C prevalence was estimated at 39% within the study population in Tennessee with over 60% of the impacted population in the state identifying as Egyptian (43%), Ethiopian (14.7%) or Sudanese (8.6%).

It is estimated that **1,385** women were living with Type 3 FGM/C in Tennessee. While all survivors may require some level of medical and mental health support, those living with Type 3 would likely require additional medical attention.

Most of those impacted by FGM/C in Tennessee live in the greater Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin and Memphis metropolitan areas.

ETHNIC BREAKDOWN

Ethnic breakdown of girls most likely
to be **AT RISK** of FGM/C in Tennessee



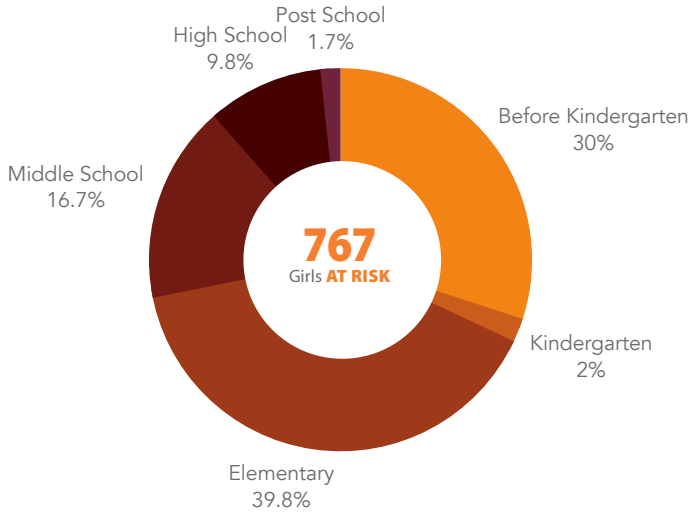
NOTE: Nigerian girls are likely underrepresented in this data since they are cut at a very young age, resulting in most girls being encoded as already living with FGM/C.

STATE PREVALENCE RANKING



AGE DISTRIBUTION

Distribution of girls most likely to be **AT RISK** of FGM/C in Tennessee



SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION

Counties with the highest **STUDY POPULATION** | **LIVING WITH** | **AT RISK** population

Davidson	13,168	5,280	451
Shelby	4,224	1,577	96
Rutherford	2,040	547	47
Wilson	664	316	45
Knox	910	158	21
Montgomery	421	153	1
Hamilton	540	132	7
Williamson	378	129	12
Sumner	474	107	37
Bradley	189	70	4

Metropolitan Areas with the highest **STUDY POPULATION** | **LIVING WITH** | **AT RISK** population

Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin, TN	17,261	6,544	594
Memphis, TN-MS-AR	4,421	1,609	101
Knoxville, TN	1,173	193	30
Clarksville, TN-KY	631	167	3
Chattanooga, TN-GA	639	152	7
Jackson, TN	82	18	2

CALL TO ACTION

Interventions tailored to the specifics of the context.

State legislators should prioritize strengthening existing legislation.

Prevention and response interventions should focus on the greater Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro-Franklin and Memphis metropolitan areas.

Child Protection should focus on **Egyptian** girls between the ages of 6 and 14; **Sudanese** girls between the ages of 5 and 15; and **Ethiopian** girls throughout their childhood and adolescence.

All estimates are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error.

For more granular prevalence data contact info@theahafoundation.org

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